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This issue of the Record is somewhat late due to the extra call which examinations and Closing make upon the time of those on whom the duty falls of preparing the material for the printer. We have, too, desired that a brief report of the Closing exercises should be printed in this issue believing that our readers will find in it something of interest.

CLOSING EXERCISES

The Closing exercises were of exceptional interest this year and the number of visitors above the usual number of late years. Additional interest was given by the presence in khaki, of twenty four of our students who during the last two or three weeks have enlisted in one or another arm of the service. An unusual feature, was the entertainment of Saturday evening. The Oratory Dept. of the Ladies College put on the Drama "Pygmalion and Galatea", and the Choral Class rendered an original Pastoral all the music of which was written by Professor Read, the Director of the Conservatory of Music. The play was very well rendered indeed and reflected great credit on Miss Curtis, the Head of the Oratory department. The pastoral was of exceptional merit. Not only was the vocal portion melodious and tuneful, but the orchestration splendid as well. The performance appealed to those not initiated in the musical art and we understand that those well qualified to judge consider the music of a very high order. That such a performance could be written and staged at Mount Allison is splendid evidence of the very high standing of the Musical Dept. of the Ladies College.

We believe that this is the first time such an original production has been given at Mount Allison. But it was not the only original event of the Closing. For the first time in the history of the University the degree of Bachelor of Music was presented to a candidate for that distinction. Miss Elsinore Tait of St. John's, Newfoundland was the recipient of the degree. The words of Dr. Borden spoken at the presentation of the degree to Miss Tait were as follows.

"A few years ago a course of literary and Musical studies was elaborated leading to the degree of Bachelor of Music. This course requires not only the proficiency of those who have qualified themselves to take the Post-Graduate course as

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effective performers, but also demands extensive courses in Harmony, Theory and Musical Composition.

Miss Tait is the first—but we trust not the last—of our talented and ambitious students to prepare themselves for this degree. I congratulate Miss Tait on having her name placed on our graduate roll as the pioneer in this new field of advanced study."

The class receiving the Bachelor of Arts degree was the smallest for a good many years, numbering three men and nine girls. Of the three men not one of them is physically fit. It is of interest also, to note that this class came to us as the largest class in the history of the University, numbering eighty one. The great majority of the men are in the army which accounts for the small number receiving degrees.

Of these several are children of former graduates or former students. George Alexander is the son of Rev. R. P. Alexander '88, at present a missionary in Japan. Miss Laura Darby is a daughter of Rev. Thos. B. Darby, '92. The latter, this year, was a recipient of the Master's degree in course. He is connected with the Methodist College in St. John's, Nfld. Miss Marguerite Jonah, the Valedictorian of the Class, is a daughter of Judge W. B. Jonah '82. Judge Jonah's son, a member of the class of 1918, is in the army. Miss Mary Pickard is the daughter of Mr. H. F. Pickard of Sackville, a former student of the Academy and a granddaughter of Mr. Thomas Pickand a former professor of the University in the Dept. of Mathematics.

An unusual feature of the exercises was a Memorial Service on Sunday morning for the twenty eight Mount Allison men who have given their lives in the service of their country. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Borden, Dr. Palmer and by Lieut. Geo. McCord '99. They were of a very high order and the service as a whole most impressive. We wish we could print these addresses in full but space does not permit.

Several honorary degrees were given and in bestowing them both the donor and the recipients were honored. We welcome to our fellowship as graduates of Mount Allison

W. J. Gage, LL. D. publisher, capitalist philanthropist, a man who has distinguished himself in social and patriotic work as the champion and leader in the great campaign against tuberculosis devoting his time, energy and money in an unstinted way to the building up of Sanataria and Free Homes for consumptives:

Hon. John Alexander Robinson,LL.D. inheritor of a love of literature and the classics and of devotion to high ideals in character and in public life. For a number of years he has been active in the field of Journalism, having established and edited an independent paper which for its literary excellence, its complete freedom from vulgarity and abuse, its able advocacy of all that is best in national and community life has been welcomed and diligently read by all thoughtful people in the Colony. Recently he has been raised to one of the highest positions of trust in the gift of the Newfoundland government, that of Postmaster General:

Samuel L. Brookfield, D. C. L. contractor, capitalist and philanthropist, long one of the most prominent figures of the business life of Eastern Canada Many of the most important

buildings of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland bear the impress of his thorough and painstaking labors. The Halifax graving dock, which is now invaluable to the Empire, is a monument to his business enterprise as well as his splendid courage and foresight. There has hardly been a benevolent enterprise undertaken in recent years in the city of Halifax of which he was not an enthusiastic advocate and to which he was not a generous contributor. The beautiful Y. M. C. A. building of that city was erected under his constant supervision and was largely inspired by his indefatigable efforts. For many years a member of the Board of Regents of Mount Allison, his unflagging interest in the welfare of the College and generous contributions to her funds has been in keeping with the board sympathy which has identified him with almost every benevolent activity of his country.

There were five recipients of the degree of Master of Arts. **Rev. Thos. B. Darby, '92,** St. John's, Nfld., **Albert M. Knight, '11,** Edmonton, Alta., **Rev. John Prestwood, '81, B. D.,** Sydney Mines, N. S., **Harry J. Rowley, '16,** St. John West, N. B., **Frances M. Steel,'16,** St. John, N. B.

Rev. E. B Moore, Halifax, N S., preached the Baccalaureate sermon delivering a splendid address. It is interesting to note that, twenty-five years ago when Mr. Darby, '92, who this year received his Master's degree, received his Bachelor's degree Mr. Moore also preached the Baccalaureate sermon.

Added interest to the exercises was given by the presence of Dr. Chown, the General Superintendent of the Methodist Church of Canada, who was on his way overseas on an important mission.

This year is the Fiftieth Anniversary of the graduation of the Class of '67 of which Dr. Smith was a member. Only two of that class are living, Dr. T. B. Flint, D. C. L., '03 and Rev. H. P. Cowperthwaite. The former was prevented from attending Closing by the fact that the House of Commons was in session and latter by the long and tiresome journey from St. John's, Nfld. Both of them wrote interesting letters which we are publishing in this issue.

St. John's, Newfoundland,
May 10th, 1917.

Dear Dr. Borden,

I thank you for the invitation to be present at the "Closing Exercises" of Mt. Allison.

I am afraid I shall not be able to be with you, though I had anticipated the pleasure of meeting the surviving members of our graduating Class of fifty years ago.

The death of Dr. Smith, the most intimate friend of my College days, has deprived that visit of much of its expected enjoyment. I am afraid my old friend, T. B. Flint, will not be able, on account of his parliamentary duties, to be at Sackville, and so I fear, if I went, that "I would feel like one who treads alone some banquet hall deserted." But after all, it is perhaps, the long journey that keeps me back, more than anything else. Whilst my health is fairly good, I am in my 79th year, and have to be careful of my movements.

My Alma Mater has still a warm place in my heart and my best wishes are for her continued prosperity.

Sincerely yours,
H. P. COWPERTHWAITE.

Ottawa,
May 19th, 1917.

Dear Mr. Borden,

Would you kindly convey to those who may be present on the occasion of the convocation on the 22nd inst., my sincere regrets at not being able to be present. The circumstances which prevent this have been explained to you in a previous letter.

I would have been proud and happy to be with you on an occasion of such great interest. It seems hard to realize that fifty years have passed away since I graduated. All the circumstances of that important event in my life are still fresh in my memory and I now recall with intense pleasure the names of those dear companions who at the same time received their diplomas from our beloved Alma Mater. They have done their work and it is a great satisfaction to me to know that they all, by their conduct and character, reflected credit upon the University. It would give me great satisfaction to have an opportunity of recounting to such an interested group of listeners as will be present with you at the convocation, some of the delightful incidents of my college days in Sackville and to descant lightly upon the peculiarities and perfections of my class-mates and others with whom I then had the pleasure of associating.

The group though not large in number contained young men of no little worldly wisdom and of great vivacity of temperament as well as a fair degree of industry and ability. Some, of course, like the late Dr. Smith, and the late Mr. Justice Burbidge, were endowed with unusual mental powers and with more than ordinary industry in study, but all of us endeavored to the best of our talents to merit the approbation of our teachers and to take as full advantage as possible of our opportunities for education. I also retain the most vivid and pleasurable recollections of all the members of the college classes who were at the university during my college career.

Among the happiest of my memories have been the enduring friendships which then had their beginnings. We were attached to each other by the strong ties of a common interest in the college and a just pride in any commendations which we were enabled to receive from our teachers. We all looked forward with sanguine hopes not only for personal success in the great world but to the future fame and reputation of the college itself.

I would like to express from a full heart my sincere appreciation of the learned and devoted men who in those days formed our college faculty and who impressed their enthusiasm upon us in a great variety of ways. Some of them have passed away but they have left behind them names fragrant in the memories of all who came under the influence of their discipline and culture. One, the beloved Dr. Allison, still survives and all who remember him during the years of his professorship and presidency cannot fail to recall his name with reverence and affection.

Although among the humblest of her children, none of them has had greater pride in the University than myself. Her record in peace has been nobly sustained in time of war and my soul has been deeply stirred by the glorious story of her heroic sons who have offered themselves in the service of the Empire upon the field of battle. She is filling a great destiny

and I earnestly pray for her continued success and prosperity.

I am,
Yours sincerely,
THOS. B. FLINT.

Rev. B. C. Borden, D. D.,
President,
Mt. Allison University.

ENLISTED MEN

The following is a list of the University students who have enlisted during the last few weeks:—

O'Brien, David
Smith, Donald B.
Murray, Stuart
Golding, Allan C.
Ellis, Shirley B.
Copp, Edgar A.
Withrow, W. D.
Fraser, Stanley
Smith, Garnet P
Jordan, J. Coleman
Lockwood, Terence
Fenderson, J. Leroy
Coll, Norman
Hunton, Thos. F.
Duff, Edgar C.
Tingley, Gordon M.
Blake, Robert M.
Taylor, Austin

From Academy—

Snow, Ralph D.
Buchanan, D. W.
Allen, Dwight J.
Spires, W. Samuel

Former students who have enlisted, many of them early in the war but whose names have just reached us—

Alward, W.
DeLong, M. Lorne
Kilburn, Fred
Murchie, Seymour
Sharp, Ralph
Tait, Allan S.
Pincock, J. Clayton, '08
Goodwin, Lieut. Herbert
Pringle, Ernest M.
Elderkin, St. Clair, Ac.
Black, Capt. Vaughan E.
Buchanan, J. M., Ac.
Dinsmore, Alton
King, R.
Pickup, Sergt. Samuel
Whitney, Lieut. Geo. O.
Bond, Fraser
Tomkinson, Capt. Harold
Hay, Robert, Ac.
Mosher, Paul
Lingley, J.
George, L. Cpl. J. R., Ac.
Cumming, Cranswick
Rainnie, Ronald

Volunteered but Rejected—

Anderson, Geo.
Barraclough, R.
Curtis, W. F.
Duff, Wm., Ac.
Guy, Wm.
Jost, A. T.
Johnson, Boyd
Lawrence, Frank
McMillan, D. E.
Milton, Charles
Paisley, H. F. S., '04
Parker, W. B., '02
Patton, George
Poole, J. B.
Pye, Ed., Ac.
Seeley, W. R.
Skinner, Geo. F.
Stiles, R.
Tompkinson, Capt. Harold
White, Donald, '16

Killed in Action or Died of Wounds or Sickness since our last issue—

Anglin, Sergt. Lyman, '14-'15
Borden, Harlan, Ac., '15-'16
Dennis, Capt. Eric M.C.,'Ac.10-'11
Elderkin, St. Clair, Ac.
Pickup, Capt. Walter W., '14
Pringle, Ernest M., Ac. '10-'11
White, Tristram, '15-'16

We shall devote an issue of the Record to the biographies of all our men who have died in service.

SICK AND WOUNDED

L. M. Colpitts, '03. He has recently been wounded in the right shoulder by gun-shot. He went overseas in the 196th Battalion and was transferred to the 46th. He received his wound at Vimy Ridge and is now in the Canadian Convalescent Hospital, Bear Wood, Wokingham, Berkshire. His right hand is somewhat paralyzed but he hopes for complete recovery.

Eric Raworth, '15-'16. He is in hospital suffering with trench fever. He went overseas in the 167th Siege Battery.

Willard Hayden, '15-'16. He was admitted to hospital at about the same time as Raworth and suffering with the same trouble. He is in the 167th Battery.

William B. Hicks, Ac. A telegram received by his father recently announced that he had been admitted to hospital on April 22nd with shrapnel fracture of the skull. Later advices state that he is improving satisfactorily. He went overseas in the 85th Battalion and was transferred to the 12th Royal Canadian Highlanders.

Robert McL. Armstrong, Eng., '16 Word has been received that he has been slightly wounded in the hand but not seriously. He is a subaltern in the 26th battalion. He was in one of the destroyer raids on cross channel shipping last fall.

Arthur Steel, Ac., '04-'05. He was wounded for the second time at the Battle of Vimy Ridge. A piece of shrapnel penetrated his right side near the heart but touched no vital organ He is now in St. John's Hospital, Southport, England. He is attached to the 42nd Royal Canadian Highlanders.

Lieut. Ellis Hewson, Ac., '12-'13. He has been invalided home unfit for service at the present at least. He was with the Royal Flying Corps.

Lieut. Ralph Herder, '13-'14. At the attack on Vimy Ridge he was severely wounded in the ankle, the bones being badly shattered and causing great pain. He will be unfit for further service. He went overseas in the 1st. Newfoundland Regiment and was all through the Gallipoli campaign. From there he went to France and has been "carrying on" ever since. He was in the Somme Campaign his brother being killed by his side in an attack in that region. He has done his bit.

Lieut. Penna D. Gregg, '12-'14. News recently received announced that he has been admitted to hospital in England suffering from pericarditis He enlisted as a private in the 140th battalion and at an inspection was promoted by the reviewing officer, Sir Sam Hughes, for efficiency, to the position of platoon commander.

Sgt. A. Gordon Rainnie, Ac., '04-'05. He was admitted to hospital in Arques, France, on May 20th suffering with gunshot wound in the back. He went overseas in the 145th battalion and was transferred to the Signallers in England. He had been in France for about three months when he received his wound.

Lieut. James Calkin, '13-'14. He has been slightly wounded recently but not seriously enough to send him to hospital. He went overseas in the 140th battalion and was transferred to the 26th.

Lieut. Frank M. Smith, '12. He has recently been wounded for the third time. He was Rhodes Scholar at

Oxford when the war broke out and at once enlisted in the 5th Lancashire and Yorkshire Regiment as a lieutenant. He had already been twice wounded having been invalided home as reported in an earlier number of the Record. This time his wounds are in the legs and chest and are serious though he is on the way to recovery.

Capt. R. St. C. Hayes, '10. He was recently thrown from his horse as it violently shied from an exploding shell. He was unlucky enough to break his collar bone in the fall. He is with the 3rd Battery 1st Canadian Artillery Brigade and has been in the Army from the beginning of the war. He is in charge of a battery and has recently been mentioned in dispatches.

Conrad Osman, Ac., '15-'16. He went overseas in the 9th Siege Battery. Not long since a letter from Sidney Hunton to his parents announced that Osman had just been drafted to his battery the 167th. Shortly after his arrival he must have been wounded since his name has just appeared in the casualty list.

NOTES CONCERNING OUR MEN AT THE FRONT

Col. F. B. Black, '87. Semi official announcement has recently been made of his appointment to the rank of Brigadier General. For some time Col. Black was acting Brigadier General in charge of a Reserve Brigade at Shorncliffe, England, as announced in an earlier issue of the Record.

Cpl. Sidney D. Scott, '09-'10. He recently passed through Sackville with a draft of the Canadian Engineers on the way overseas. Prior to enlistment he was on the staff of his father's paper, the Vancouver News Advertiser. He is with the 24th Draft of the Engineers.

Lieut. C. H. Cochrane, '11. At present he is with the 12th Brigade, C. F. A He went overseas with the 9th Mounted Rifles from London, Ontario, having enlisted as a private. Before going over he had been promoted to Sergeant. He was in active service for some months until recommended for a commission in the Artillery. Most of his work is as observation officer. For some time after taking his course for a commission he was acting Physical Director at Shorncliffe and Brampshot Camps.

Sergt. George S. Patterson, '07. For some time he has been in Sackville with the Ammunition Column of the 5th Division which has been stationed here. Sergt. Patterson was a missionary in Japan when he felt the call of duty to come home and enlist. He has recently taken a course in Artillery at Kingston for officers and stood very high in the final lists. **Mrs. Patterson (E. Lena Bartlett, '10)** has been with him in Sackville renewing old acquaintances. With Sergt. Patterson in the Ammunition Column is **Sergt. Samuel Pickup** who has also taken a short course for N. C. O's. at Kingston. They have recently left for Petawawa with their Unit.

GIFTS TO THE UNIVERSITY

It is with great satisfaction that we announce the receipt of a generous gift of $1,000 from **Miss Emma Baker, Ph. D.**, former vice principal of the Ladies' College to promote the study of Biblical History and Literature in the University. An arrangement has been made whereby courses in these subjects will be offered for election in the Junior and Senior years. Miss

Baker gave a similar gift to the Ladies College a few years ago to promote the same object and it has led to many University girls taking the work there for its interest alone, no credit being given for it in the University course. Under the new conditions it is hoped that a considerable number of students will elect these courses.

PRIZE IN SURVEYING

Mr. Avard T. White, a former student in Engineering, now on the staff of the company building the Car Ferry to Prince Edward Island has offered a prize in the Surveying courses of the Engineering Dept. of ten dollars, to the student making the highest standing in that subject.

These gifts are greatly appreciated and will, we hope, be an incentive to others to found similar scholarships and funds. We are in need to-day of one or two Entrance Scholarships of a value great enough to largely pay the expenses of a year at College of students unable financially to take a college course but who would be glad to do so if the opportunity offered. We have in mind one of the best students in the Maritime Provinces who is in just that condition. Such a scholarship would give to such a man opportunities he cannot now enjoy.

SOUVENIRS OF THE WAR

We would urge upon our men at the front the great desirability of having a collection of mementoes of the war at Mount Allison to constitute a reminder of the services of Mount Allison to the cause of Empire. We hope that when the war is over, the many men who represent us in the army will make it their duty to see that guns of our own or the enemy adorn our campus. That is something for the future, but at the present time we would urge every man at the front to send us something, no matter how small, which has any association with his own experiences. Pieces of shells, equipment, clothing, guns, rifles, with information as to where and when they were picked up, and by whom and also what they are, will be very gratefully received. It may be some bother and there may be difficulties in the way, but we hope that our men will appreciate the great value to Mt. Allison of such a collection and go to the necessary trouble.

That such a collection will be of great interest is well shown by the numbers of people who viewed the collection of Lieut. Geo. McCord, '97, which was recently on exhibition in a Sackville shop window. It consisted of pieces of equipment largely of German make which Lieut. McCord brought home with him when he received his leave.

Some things would be of special value as for example, the Argosy that Jock Wiggins found in a dugout near the city of Ypres and there are others of probably as great interest. But even though we cannot get such things, we will be grateful for anything that is sent by a Mount Allison man or woman. Pieces addressed to H. E. Bigelow, Sackville, N. B., will be carefully labelled and preserved for future generations of Mount Allison men and women.

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